



THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES
KNOWN OR LIKELY TO OCCUR
IN
COMANCHE COUNTY, KANSAS

Arkansas Darter (*Etheostoma cragini*) - Threatened: Known to occur in spring-fed tributaries within the Cimarron and Salt Fork River basins. *Critical habitat has been designated.* Federal Candidate.

Arkansas River Shiner (*Notropis girardi*) - Endangered: Known to occur occasionally in the Salt Fork River basin and may occur occasionally in the Cimarron River main stem. Requires flood flows to spawn successfully. *Critical habitat has been designated.* Threatened nationally.

Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as an occasional winter visitant along the Cimarron River and near impoundments. Threatened nationally.

Black-capped Vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*) - Endangered: Known to occur historically as a summer resident. May occur infrequently as a seasonal visitant or resident in summer. Prefers low dense woody cover in ravines in native prairie. Endangered nationally.

Checkered Garter Snake (*Thamnophis marcianus marcianus*) - Threatened: Known to occur in suitable habitat. Frequents margins of pools in streams and near small impoundments.

Eastern Spotted Skunk (*Spilogale putorius interrupta*) - Threatened: May occur in suitable habitat. Prefers woodland edges, abandoned buildings, and brushy grasslands along streams.

Eskimo Curlew (*Numenius borealis*) - Endangered: Formerly occurred as a regular spring transient. Used overgrazed grasslands and bare fields. Has not been recorded in Kansas since 1902. A few may still migrate through the state. Endangered nationally.

Flathead Chub (*Platygobio gracilis*) - Threatened: May occur occasionally in the Cimarron River. Requires flood flows to spawn successfully.

Least Tern (*Sterna antillarum*) - Endangered: Known to occur as a regular summer resident along the Cimarron River. Frequents bare sandbars and sparsely vegetated shorelines in streams and lakes. Known to nest in suitable habitat. *Critical habitat has been designated.* Endangered nationally.

New Mexico Blind Snake (*Leptotyphlops dulcis dissectus*) - Threatened: Known to occur in suitable habitat. This nocturnal snake frequents ant burrows and moist areas having loose soil or sand where rocks provide cover.

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Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) - Endangered: May occur as a rare winter visitant near areas where waterfowl or other birds concentrate.

Piping Plover (*Charadrius melodus*) - Threatened: May occur as a rare seasonal transient at marshes or on sparsely vegetated shorelines of streams and lakes. Threatened nationally.

Snowy Plover (*Charadrius alexandrinus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as summer resident on sparsely vegetated shores of streams, wetlands, and impoundments. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

Speckled Chub (*Macrhybopsis aestivalis tetranemus*) - Endangered: Known to occur occasionally in suitable habitat in the Salt Fork River basin. Prefers perennial streams where currents flow over clean fine sand.

Texas Longnose Snake (*Rhinocheilus lecontei tessellatus*) - Threatened: Known to occur in suitable habitat. Prefers semiarid grasslands with sandy soils and/or rocky outcrops.

Texas Night Snake (*Hypsiglena torquata jani*) - Threatened: Known to occur in dry rocky rangelands.

White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*) - Threatened: May occur as an occasional seasonal transient or summer visitant at streams, wetlands, or impoundments.

Whooping Crane (*Grus americana*) - Endangered: Known to occur as an occasional seasonal transient. Endangered nationally.

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